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In response to the Office action mailed September 1, 2005, applicants elect Species I including claims 1-14 and 23-25, without traverse.

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